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To Whom It May Concern:

This letter serves as a follow-up to two earlier letters from the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC), dated February 3 and March 16, 2009, concerning landfill owners/operators potentially affected by actions being considered by DTSC related to automobile shredder waste.

As stated in the above referenced letters, on September 29, 2008, DTSC informed the owner/operator of each automobile shredding facility operating in the State that DTSC was considering repealing the conditional authorization that these facilities have been operating under since 1986. The conditional authorization allows automobile shredders to treat their waste onsite and to dispose of it as non-hazardous waste, under specified conditions. Furthermore, DTSC is aware that several solid waste landfills in California accept treated automobile shredder waste for disposal. and that most of these landfills also use treated automobile shredder waste as Alternative Daily Cover.

Since the September 29, 2008, letter was issued, DTSC has granted two requests by the automobile shredder industry for extensions of the regulatory effective date, originally set for January 1, 2009, and subsequently extended first to March 30, 2009 and then to June 30, 2009.

On June 24, 2009, DTSC sent correspondence to representatives of the automobile shredder industry. DTSC extended the regulatory effective date until September 30, 2009. That deadline is the date by which the individual shredder facilities need to enter into consent agreements with DTSC. The consent agreements would bring the automobile shredder facilities into compliance with proposed operating conditions and allow them to operate under their existing conditional authorizations until the requirements for each agreement have been met within the specified timeframes.

DTSC will continue to keep you informed concerning this matter. If you have any questions or require additional information regarding the actions DTSC is considering, please feel free to contact me at (916) 445-5720.

Sincerely,

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